WILL REICHSTAG BE "PATRIOTIC?"

Strenuous Kaiser Will Try to Use Roosevelt Methods in Politics.

VON BUELOW WILL ABDICATE

If Government Does Not Win Out It Will Mean His Political Death Warrant,

BERLIN, January 5. - The Kalser hopes to carry the country and capture a "patriotic," Reichstag, within six weeks, He has set Jan. 25 as election

day.

According to trustworthy information the emperor was on the verge of intuiting his picturesque and virile personality into the fight in much the same way as Mr. Hoosevelt interfered is the recent struggle over the governorship of New York, only his majesty's intervention would have been more along Rissian lines than American lines. However, he was anxious to issue a lurid manifesto to his people urging them to "vote imperially," and to smash the seditious and unholy alliance between the Catholics and Socialists who appear to be obstructing his path to world-glory.

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Buelow and other counsellors who pointed out that such an innovation would be
bitterly resented especially by the libera;
element without whose support the government's case is hopeless and that that
support would be allenated at a stroke
by importing the czar's ukase methods
into more or less liberated Germany. It
has been decided instead that the government shall issue an election address to
the people asking them to support the
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A few days of caim retrospect have filled the government leaders with the gravent doubts as to the wisdom of dissolving the Reichstag at a moment when the country is rocking with discontent. It is positively known that the leaders do not cherish much confidence that the Reichstag to be selected will be a whit more tractable than the present Reichstag. This fear is exposed in a statement by a prominent South German newspaper to the effect that the Prince von Buelow will not hesitate in the vent of defeat to tear the ballots of Jan. 25 into shred and appeal to the country a second time. The constitution permits the repetition of such a process indefinitely, but a revolution would almost inevitably be the floated country's answer if the government's disgust with the electorate became simple defiance.

Current report absolves Prince von Buelow of any such finention. It is reported that he would consider a government defeat at the polis tantament to his own political death warrant, and

ported that he would consider a govern-ment defeat at the polls tantamount to his own political death warrant, and would summarily addiente the chancel-lorship Some wild talk is in circulation, but siner judges cannot conceive that the kniser will dream of anything more radical than the abolition of universal suffrage.

The empire is now ablaze with cam-paign excitement, All parties have is-sued their calls to battle and appeals for election expenses. The government is

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the Socialists, whom the government despites.

Nothwithstanding the fact that the country is undoubtedly at the zenith of an imprecedented prosperity, the increased cost of living, the colonial scandals, the eccentricities of the kaiser. Germany's uncomfortable foreign posttion, police injustice, and heavy taxes combine to put the electorate into the ugliest mood it has shown for generations. Social Democracy, as the only consistent party opposition, will hardly fall to reap the benefits of this winter of discontent.

INVESTIGATION

Engineer on "Dead" Train Says It Was Impossible for Him to See Signal.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 5.-The block signal system employed by the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, with particular reference to the wreck last Bunday at sons were killed and injured, was furstate Commerce Commission. At the con-clusion of the day's testimony Commis-

state Commerce Commission. At the conclusion of the day's testimony Commissioner Clements announced that the investigation would be adjourned until January 14th, because of the fact that the commission would meet in Chicago Monday, and further that certain data on the subject of block signals on the Baltimore and Ohio, as well as the Southern, which will be included in the present investigation, was necessary before the inquiry could proceed.

Two witnesses were on the stand today—Engineer Hildebrand, of engine 2120, which drew the "dead" Baltimore and Ohio train that collided with No. 65—who concluded his testimony begin yesterday—and Operator M. W. Philips, of Takoma, the nearest station to Terricotta, where the accident happened Hildebrand swore that on last Sunday night it was impossible for him to see any lights. In fact, he said, he could see little or nothing over the holler of a monster engine, such as he was driving. He had, he said, no reason to believe that No. 66 had not reached Washington. He was not addicted to the use of cocaine, he said, nor was there any liquor on his engine Sinday night.

Telegraph Operator Phillips was conducted through a searching line of questioning, which brought out the fact that trains frequently passed the recitarget at his station, but they invariably, before last Sunday, had stopped and returned. He admitted, however, that he had ignored the rules of the company in not reporting these cases, and said also, in reply to Commissioner Clements, that it was very possible that the non-observance of the block system rules which had been practiced by him made the system worse than none at all.

OFFICERS MUST SALUTE NATIONAL ANTHEM

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—The army regulations have been amended so as to provide that whenever "the Star-Spangled Banner" is played by the band on a formal occasion persons belonging to the military service shall stand at attention, and even if not in the ranks they shall render the prescribed salute, the position being retained until the last, note of the national air.

The same respect shall be observed towards the national air of any other country.

NAME RECEIVER FOR THE TARHEEL WEEKLY

GREENSBORO, N. C., January 5,-On GREENSBORO, N. C., January 5.—On petition of stockholders to-day, Judge Justice appointed a receiver for Congressman Blackburn's publication, The Tarheel Weekly. John Crouch was made receiver, giving a five-thousand-dollar hond. He is managing editor, and says the paper will not suspend, the object being to reorganize the company and pay off present indebtedness. On petition of the First National Bank, of High Point, Judge Justice also placed the Lindsay Chair Company, of High Point, in a receiver's hands.

Personals and Briefs.

Mrs. M. V. Graves, of 712 East Leigh Street, who has been ill with crysipe-las, is slowly recovering.

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Mrs. J. V. Powell is very critically ill at her son's home.

Edward Woodin, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Woodin, of No. 922 West Grace Street, who has been very ill, is now greatly improved.

Miss Kate Elsmere Puller and her friend, Miss Johnson, of King William county, spent the holidays in Florida, visiting Jacksonville, St. Augustine. Tampa and the East Coast.

Mr. J. J. Puller, of Philadelphia, and Mr. J. L. Puller, of Knoxville, Team, spent Christmas Day with their mother, Mrs. James E. Puller, No. 2016 Jefferson Park.

Miss Marion Richardson has returned to the city from a delightful visit in Warwiek county.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Richardson and son.

Byron, spent the bolidays in Greensboro,
N. C.

Henrico Candidates.

Mr. W. B. Frayser, chairman of the Board of Supervisors of Henrico county a candidate for the treasurership for nex

a candidate for the treasurership for next year, says that he is very hopeful of his candidacy. He thinks he stands a good show among the four who are running for the place. Mr. Frayser is a resident of Varina district.

The other candidates are Mr. Henry C. Heehler, the incumbent, of Fairfield district; Mr. George Watt, of Fairfield, and Mr. John A. Broaddus, of Brookline district. The primary will be held some tipe h, the summer, and the election will follow in the fail.

STEEL KING TO MARRY ACTRESS VERY SHORTLY

Off for Wedding-Father and Sisters to Sail for Paris

intends to start next week with his two daughters. Pearl and Eunlee, for Paris, where they will witness the wedding of Miss Gliman to William Ellis Corey, of the United States Steel Corporation. The

NO NEWS OF PONCE 5 DAYS OVERDUE

United States Revenue Cutter Mohawk Has Been Ordered to

NEW YORK, January 5.—The steamer Coamo, of the New York and Porto Rico. Steamship Company, arrived to-night from Porto Rico. When asked if he had seen or heard anything of the steamer Ponce, five days overdue, Captain Dalton, of the Coamo, said he had not. He had not. He had not. He had not received a wireless message to look out for her when the



MISS MABELLE GILMAN

TRAINMEN STILL IN CONFERENCE

It Is Thought That the Southern Will Give a Substantial Advance in Wages.

THE NEW SCHEDULE SLOWER

Southern to Give Up the Mail Special, as It Ruins Schedule on the Road,

[From Our Regular Correspondent.] WASHINGTON, D. C., January 5.—The onference between representatives of the conductors and brakemen and flagmer in the employ of the Southern Rallway,

in the employ of the Southern Rallway, which has been in progress here for some days, has not resulted definitely.

When the conference was concluded at 5 o'clock this afternoon, it was stated that there would be another joint session to-morrow. Several of the representatives of the employes said they thought a substantial advance in wages would be granted. The conductors and trainen are represented, respectively, by thirty-two delegates—one from each of the sixteen divisions of the road.

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The new schedule of the Southern Railway, which goes into effect to-morrow, will involve a number of changes in addition to the lengthening of the schedules, it will not result in the entire abrogation of train 97, known as the Southern Fast Mail, as it is intended to have a solid mail train operated out of Washington at 8 o'clock, as at present. However, it will not be run on the fast schedule that has heretofore characterized that train. It will be run at slower speed, and will not put everything else on sidetracks to make way for it, Heretofore it was the superior train of everything on the road, and freight and passenger service alike had to take to the side tracks for it. Whenever there was any waiting to do it was not 97 that did it.

Under the new arrangements, however, all this will be changed. The mail will be expedited as much as possible, but everything else on the road will not be delayed in order that the fast mail go through on time. It will carry no passengers north of Charlotte, but south of that point will be operated as a regular passenger train.

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It is said that the announcement of the Southern that it would throw up the special appropriation came like a thunderbolt from a slear sky to many of the Southern Congressmen, who have held that it was pay for service that would be as well rendered without it. The superintendent of the Southern is reported to have said that the loss of time of reight and passenger traffic on the road, by reason of its having to wait on the fast mail, cost the company more by far than it got out of the operation of the train.

ANOTHER MAN IN TOILS FOR MURDER

John Brown Thought to Know Much About Killing of Postmaster Grubbs.

FARMVILLE, VA., January 5.—John Brown, allas George Brown, colored, was brought to Farmville to-night from Montgomery, W. Va., charged with being one of the four alleged murderers of John Grubbs. Brown's arrest was made upon information furnished the detective by William Ruffin, whose trial for the same offense has been set for next Monday, It is alleged in the statement of Massis Hill, who confessed the part he took in the crime, that there were four of them, including himself, who planned and executed the awful murder, robbery and burnins on the night of June 5th lass at Tuggle, this county, and it was upon information given by him that Ruffin's arrest was made in North Carolina. EARMVILLE, VA., January 5.-John

Hill said that Ruffin, Railread Bill, an unknown negro, and himself committed the deed, and Brown, who was landed in

the deed, and Brown, who was landed in Juli to-night is thought to be the one whose name Hill did not know.

Brown will be confronted to morrow morning by both Hill and Ruffin separately for identification. The arrest of Brown was made in Montgomery by Inspector Robinson, who was met this afternoon in Lynchburg by Sheriff Dickinson and Police Officer Fogus, of Farmyille, the latter taking charge of the prisoner. Brown sives Charlottesyllie, Va., as his home.

Daughter Ill.

President F. W. Boatwright, of Richmond College, has been called away by the sickness of his daugitter. A case of bronchitis developed into spneumonia while she was away on her Christmas yacation.

PERUNA EDITORIAL NO. I.

A Crusade Against

crusade against American commercial enterprises. This most extraordinary ATTACK UPON BUSINESS corpora-Secret Medicines. tions has involved manufacturers of nearly all kinds, has spared few producers of any sort.

Each and every one of these enterprises perhaps deserved some criticism.

Whether their opponents have dealt with them justly or not, they are promptly adjusting themselves to the new conditions, and demonstrating to the business world that in the larger things they have been governed by sound financial integrity, even if in some few particulars the times were ripe for

reform.

Like other great industries, THE PATENT MEDICINE INDUSTRY is coming in for its share of censure. Secrecy of composition has been the main war-cry against these medicines.

It was admitted on the part of patent medicine manufacturers, that their formulæ were kept secret. They felt obliged to do this, in order to prevent imitators from imposing on the public. After a proprietor had spent hundreds of thousands of dollars in advertising a remedy, the secrecy of his formula was his only protection against others stepping in and reaping the reward of his

tremendous outlay in advertising.

The unwillingness of patent medicine manufacturers to reveal the ingredients of their compound was perfectly natural. They felt that they deserved protection from the government the same as any other citizen who procures a patent on an invention or a process. BUT THIS CONSIDERATION DID NOT NEEP BACK THE CRITICS.

The agitation was kept up until Congress enacted a law making it obligatory on the part of such manufacturers to expose certain ingredients on the label of each package.

It was thought best to include alcohol in the list of objectionable ingredients. This being the only objectionable ingredient contained in Peruna, the

manufacturer of this very excellent remedy promptly obeyed the law.

Indeed, he voluntarily went farther than this. Dr. Hartman, after serious consideration of the matter, has concluded to put PLAINLY ON THE LABEL.

OF EACH BOTTLE the principal active constituents of which Peruna is com-

posed. While we do not agree that the claim against secrecy has been a just one, yet from this time on we have concluded to take Peruna out of the list of secret patent medicines.

Pe-ru-na Continues to Have the Confidence of the People.

We now offer Peruna to the public as a regular pharmaceu-tical product. It is just as ethical as any compound put up by the medical profession. No straining of medical ethics can find any fault with it. THE PRINCIPAL ACTIVE INGREDIENTS are prominently incorporated in the abel on the bottle, that the people may know that the claims made for Peruna

nave a true justification. The only departure we shall make from medical ethics in the conduct of Peruna affairs in the future, is the fact that we shall continue to advertise and ell our product TO THE PEOPLE.

If we would agree to sell to doctors only, to advertise for doctors only, then the medical fraternity would be obliged to recognize Peruna as being entirely within their approval.

BUT WE SHALL NOT DO THIS.

We shall continue to offer Peruna to the people. We shall continue to convey to the people our claims for Peruna as a household remedy. We shall continue to supply the people with free literature, teaching them how to use our medicine, teaching them how to avoid disease, teaching them many things of benefit to the home. We shall continue to do this, whether the medical profession like it or not.

We are proposing from this time on to take the public into our confidence. Notwithstanding that some imitators and substitutors will be attempting to put up something which they consider just as good as Peruna, we are going to lraw aside the veil of secrecy and allow any one who chooses to know exactly OF WHAT PERUNA IS COMPOSED.

This ought to disarm all honest criticism. We expect, however, that criticism will continue. On some pretext or other those who are envious of the success of Peruna will continue to find fault. But we are determined to give

such people no just complaint.
PERUNA IS A GREAT MEDICINE.

It has become a household word in millions of homes. Our faith in the remedy is stronger than ever. Every year we expect to establish new plants in foreign lands until the people of all the world are supplied with this val-

nable household remedy.

WE ARE GOING TO DO EVERYTHING IN THE OPEN. We are going to tell our customers exactly what they are taking, and let them judge for themselves how much foundation our critics have for their claims.

All we ask of the public is to be as fair with us as we are with them.

WE CLAIM PERUNA TO BE A CATARRH REMEDY. Buy a bottle and try it. If it helps you, be honest and acknowledge that it has helped you. If you want us to we will publish your statement exactly as you furnish it

to us. We will add no words, take away no words. If you wish us to we will publish your portrait in connection with it. We will not do this without your written request, without your entire consent.

Peruna has cured thousands of people of chronic catarrh, in many phases and

locations. At least, that is what the people say to us, through unsolicited testimonials. Peruna will cure many thousand more, in spite of fabricated

slanders to the contrary.

WE GUARANTEE EVERY BOTTLE OF PERUNA TO CONTAIN THE INGREDIENTS PRINTED ON THE LABEL. We guarantee that every testimonial we use is absolutely true-in the

exact language of the testifier. We guarantee that every photograph published is the photograph of the

ized by the hand that signed it. We are determined to beat our opponents by being fairer than they are, by dealing squarer than they dare to. We are determined to meet falsehood with truth, duplicity with candor, insincerity with sincerity.

We know that the users of Peruna will appreciate our stand. We believe that the dealers in Peruna will applaud our course. We expect even our opponents will be obliged to acknowledge finally that Peruna is not only an honest and useful remedy, but one of the GREATEST HOUSEHOLD MEDI-CINES ON THE CONTINENT.

TOBACCO TRUST WINS CONTEN

Court Declares That Merger Was Legal and Dismissed Complaint Conditionally.

NEWARK, N. J., January 5 .- A suit brought by George A. Belling, of Bayonne, to have declared illegal the merger

onne, to have declared illegal the inerger of the American, the Consolidated and the Continental Tobacco Companies into the present American Tobacco Company was conditionally dismissed by Vice-Chancellor Plincy to-day.

Belling held one hundred shares of 8 per cent, preferred stock in the old American Tobacco Company. In the merger agreement holders of all preferred stock in the old American and the other companies were forced to take for

merger agreement motors of an preferred stock in the old American and the
other companies were forced to take for
their holdings the 6 per cant, bonds of
the new company. It was Belling's contention that the new company had no
legal right to substitute these bends for
the old stock without the consent of the
owners.

In vice-chancellor, in his opinion, suggested that Belling accept eight per cent,
on his stock, payable quarterly from the
date of the merger to the expiration of
the charter of the old American Tobacco
Company, and that he then be paid par
for his holdings. If he fails to accept
this relief or either of two offers of settlement which have been made by the
company, the court will dismiss the hill
of complaint unconditionally.

The court's decree is based, to a considerable extent, upon the point that if
the specific performance of the complain-

ant's contract should be compelled, and the trust dissolved, incalculable injury would thereby be done to scores of inno-cent stockholders and the "well-nigh im-possible task be presented of revivifying of the old companies, whose existence was ended by the merger agreement."

ROBBED CHILD'S BANK

AND GOT PINCHED CHICAGO, ILL., Jan. 5.—Betrayed by a plugged nickel stoles from a child's savings bank, John Dillon, 2s years old, said by the police to be an ex-convict, and Joseph (Clancy, 27 years old, are under arrest, charged with having committed burglary in a dozen westside homes and stealing lewelry, silverware and furs valued at \$10,000.

FLAMES DESTROY

MINISTER'S RESIDENCE UNIONVILLE, VA., January 5.—The residence of Rev. R. V. Omer, about three miles south of this place, was three miles south of this place, wes destroyed by fire last night, with its entire contents. The loss is probably \$2,00. Mr. John G. Terrill, a prominent farmer of this county, is quite ill with pneu-monia.

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GAS MAIN REPAIRED.

Cleveland Has Heat and Light

After Much Suffering.

CLEVELAND, O., January 5,-The natural gas supply, which was com-

pletely cut off in this city early yester

lay, following the blowing up of both

mains leading from West Virginia to

mains leading from West virginia to Cleveland, was restored at noon to-day, ending the worst familie since natural gas was first piped to this city from West Virginia, four years ago. The mains blew up almost simultaneously yesterday in a celery swamp in Summit county. There has been great suffering from more than twenty-four hours among

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the 65,000 considers of factorizing as in this city, who, in many instances, are de-pendent entirely on the gas for fuel. One death, that of Mrs. Honora Foley, 7601 Shafford Road, has been reported as a result of lack of heat in her home.

Isajah Clarke Dead.

Isaiah Clarke, a respected colored mar

Isaiah Clarke, a respected colored man, died at the Memorial Hospital Friday night, after a brief lilness, and the funeral will take place from the Ebeneezer Baptist Church this afternoon.
Clarke was about forty-two years of age. Ever since he was a youth he had been employed as cooper and porter at Crenshaw's Tobacco Warehouse, serving in that capacity quite a quarter of a cratry. He enjoyed the confidence not only of his employers, but of the hundreds of furmers who were the patrons of the warehouse. It was Isalah's business at the warehouse to look after their baggage and other property left at the warehouse when they came to town, and his faithfulness in the discharge of the duties thus imposed upon him won

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their admiration.

Rico.

The following is a list of passengers aboard the Ponce: Henry W. Rogers, D. A. Fox, T. P. Kidd, G. D. Campbell, in the first cabin, and Georgia Santiago, H. Bates and Maria R. Mayoral, in the second.

W. E. COREY,

WASHINGTON, January 5.—The revenue cutter Mohawk has been ordered to sail from New York in search of the steamship Ponce, of the New York and Porto Rico Steamship Line, which is Railroads and allied Harriman lines in this city to-day, and adjourned to meet again next Tuesday morning at Chicaso. The testimony taken to-day tended further to show the great scope of the power conferred upon President E. H. Harriman by the boards of directors of the various lines under Union Pacific control.

He Is the Czar of Thousands

the various lines under Union Pacific control,
All the facts of record as to the declaration of dividends last August by the Union and Southern Pacifics were brought out by the commission. The dividends were declared on August 15th, but were not announced until two days later, just before the stock exchange opened for business. It was at Mr. Harriman's suggestion that the dividends were declared. It was also at his suggestion that the announcement was deferred. He explained that a number of the directors of the companies were not present, and he thought it nothing but fair that they should be advised before the matter became public property. The executive committees of the Union and Southern Pacific were given authority to announce their dividends at such time as they deemed proper. Mr. Harriman was, and is, chairman of both committees. The committees also were authorized to designate the funds from which the dividends should be paid. What these funds were could not be learned from to-day's witnesses, but the commission was promised a complete statement.

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From the minutes of the Oregon short Line executive committee, it was disclosed that Mr. Harriman, in March, 1903, sold to William Rockefeller 30,000 shares of the Oregon Short Line's holdings of Southern Pacific common stock. A letter from Mr. Rockefeller referring to their "agreement" as to the stock was next placed in evidence. Mr. Rockefeller, in November, 1903, asked Mr. Harriman to take back the stock at the time, instead of waiting for the expiration of the agreement in the spring of 1904.

The minutes of the Short Line showed that the stock was bought back from Mc. Rockefeller, and it was further shown that he was paid a commission of \$137,560, To-day's witnesses know nothing of what the agreement between Mr. Harriman and Mr. Rockefeller was.

A subposena was issued for Mr. Rockefeller to appear at such time as the commission shall designate. Mr. Harriman, when he is able to testify, will also be asked regarding this agreement.

Name Omitted.